

WIOA Implementation Taskforce of the State Workforce Innovation Council

March 31, 2016 10:00a.m. – 11:30.m. Indiana Government Center South, Conference Room 4 302 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN, 46204

March 31, 2016 Minutes

Call to Order/Roll Call/Welcome and Introductions

Present: Kent Kramer (Chair), David Tucker, Randall Homes, Marie Mackintosh, Lara Pastore, Robert Moore, Anne Valentine, Jessica Fraser, Ricky Kozumplik, Greg Vollmer, Kylie Hope, Paula Pinksatff, Kim Osaphl, and Robyn Minton (by phone).

Absent: Caryl Auslander and Rachel Boon.

Also Present from the Department of Workforce Development: Regina Ashley, Holly Brauneller, Eryn Craven, Elaine Hubbard, Amy Marsh, and Alishea Hawkins.

Public Comment: None given.

Approval of Minutes, February 25, 2016

February minutes approved. Available at http://www.in.gov/dwd/2828.htm.

State Plan

Kylee Hope, Director of the Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (DDRS), provided an overview of the Employment First initiative and changes to the State Plan for inclusion of language regarding Employment First. Comments were made regarding how employers and WorkOne staff can provide those with disabilities the support they need to work in fully integrated jobs. Another comment was made regarding diagnostic testing for these individuals to diagnose disabilities that may not always be apparent.

Eligible Training Provider List

Marie Mackintosh, DWD Associate Chief Operating Officer for Workforce Strategy and Alishea Hawkins, DWD Director of Adult Education Policy & Programs, led a discussion regarding the ETPL. Ms. Mackintosh discussed how the DWD demand perspective impacts ETPL. Ms. Mackintosh also discussed the demand driven ETPL star model currently utilized in Louisiana and asked for feedback on this approach. Ms. Hawkins discussed the appeals process under ETPL. Several comments were made regarding the demand driven ETPL, specifically the



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Louisiana model. These comments included how the star system is developed in Louisiana and what characteristics are used to determine the star rating, concerns about a statewide demand list when there are different demands on a regional level, concern about getting employers to actually hire people who have attained the desired skills, and concerns about using a star rating system in general to fund training for people. The group would like to know what effect the Louisiana model has had on employers. Also, comments were made regarding the ETPL appeals. One taskforce member commented that an appeals process is important to have in place and that if a committee is used to hear the appeals, it would be helpful to have an attorney lead the hearing. Also, we need to find a balance between ETPL eligibility requirements and having a robust list because some schools will not be highly impacted if programs are not funded with WIOA dollars.

Adjourned.

Next WIOA Implementation Taskforce Meeting:
March 17, 2016
10:00am to 11:30m
Indiana Government Center South, Conference Room 5